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SUBJECT: OCTOBER 13 PRESS: FOCUS ON US

1. FRONT PAGES. OCTOBER 13 CAIRO PRESS COVERAGE OF US HAS MODERATED SOMEWHAT FROM THAT OF PREVIOUS DAY. GUMHURIYYA CENTER-PAGES BRIEF BOX ON GOE WARNING TO US (SEPTTEL). VARIOUS OTHER FRONT-PAGE STORIES FOCUS ON REPORTS OF SHIPMENTS OF US MILITARY EQUIPMENT TO ISRAEL; AND AKHBAR AND GUMHURIYYA FRONT-PAGE BRIEF REPORT THAT 150 AMERICAN PILOTS HAVE ARRIVED IN SPAIN ENROUTE TO ISRAEL WITH PHANTOMS. GUMHURIYYA ALSO REPORTS AUGMENTATION OF SIXTH FLEET WITH HELICOPTER CARRIER. FRONT PAGES ALSO REPORT BRIEFLY ON KISSINGER NEWS CONFERENCE.

2. EDITORIALS: ALL REGULAR EDITORIALS FOCUS ON US. AHAM STATES THAT UPROAR ABOUT SOVIET ARMS DELIVERIES TO ARABS IS VICIOUS RUSE TO PERMIT US TO JUSTIFY SHIPMENT OF SOPHISTICATED WEAPONRY TO ISRAEL. GUMHURIYYA CALLS FOR TOTAL ALERTNESS TO US MOVES, AND NOTES MANEUVERS OF SIXTH FLEET AND GATHERING OF US PILOTS TO ASSIST ISRAELI AIR FORCE. ANSWER, SAYS GUMHURIYYA, IS TO CUT OFF OIL. HEYKAL'S MAIN ARTICLE DWELLS ON SAME THEME, THAT ARABS SHOULD USE OIL WEAPON NOW TO BRING UTMOST PRESSURE ON US NOT TO SUPPORT ISRAEL. GUDDUS, CONFIDENTIAL

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ON THE OTHER HAND, SAYS THERE HAS BEEN AN EVOLUTION IN US

POSITION AWAY FROM TOTAL DOMINATION BY ZIONISTS. HE DOES NOT CALL FOR ANY ACTION AGAINST US INTERESTS, OR SHARPLY CRITICIZE US POLICY.

3. COMMENT: EDITORIALS HAMMER AWAY AT US POLICY, BUT FRONT-PAGE COVERAGE IS MIXED. LEAD ARTICLES ON US VIE UNSUCCESSFULLY WITH MAJOR COVERAGE OF WAR AND DIPLOMATIC NEWS FOR READERS' ATTENTION.
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